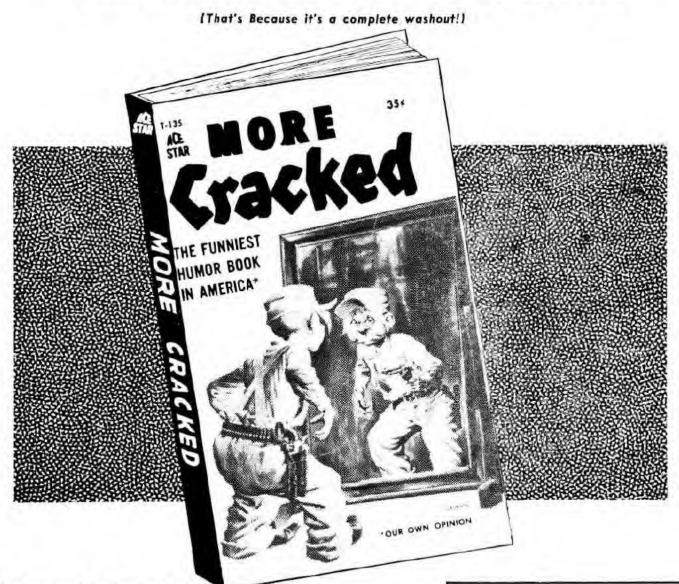


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GREAT LOVERS OF HISTORY



An illustrated view of famous romantic pairs of history—who would have surely split up if they ever saw the illustrations.

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A takeoff on a new magazine that is written and drawn by misfists — the takeoff, that is — not the magazine itself.

PAGES THAT DIDN'T GET IN



An article featuring pages that didn't get into previous issues of Cracked because of a handicap—they were visible.

LETTERS



... Your magazine is lucky in one respect—our whole town is cracked,

JERRY ZAMANDREA RICK ALEKNA CLINTON, IND.

You must live in a split level.

I have read some of your stories and I believe I could write something that would help the magazine sell better. LESTER A. KLAHR, JR. LEBANON, PA.

You could, Write a check for your subscription.

very much. I have found it to be very educational. It is better than "Paradise Lost" by Milton.

JOHN LOUIS BRANDON CORPUS CHRIST, TEX.

Milton Who? ? ?

Rarely have my friends and I enjoyed a magazine as much as Cracked. We would like to make it a member of our Saturday night parties. . .

L. W. CAHIR
MELBOURNE, ANSTRALIA
You must have real wild parties!!!

We like Cracked because it has Snob Appeal. . .

GEORGE & RITA SHARON, QUEENS COUNTY, N. Y.

And we thought it had slob appeal!

For years I have written to editors of various satire magazines. I must have written over 100 letters in a couple of years (only 2 published) but as yet I haven't written anything to Cracked. So here goes. . .

JOE PILATI

PEARL RIVER, N. Y. No wonder you never get published! Who writes 26 page letters to the edi-

Who writes 26 page letters to the editor? But thanks anyway. You really know the business. And your criticism will be acted upon, Let's hear more from you.

I am a great fan of Cracked and y'uall don't stop sarcasmming the South as y'uall did with the song "Dixie" in the December issue, I will have to stop reading your magazine. Why don'y y'uall print this for a change and the ones y'uall make up?

JIMMY BEASLEY AIKEN, SO. CAR.

We'll are sorry we offeded y'uall. O.C.

How glad I am of not being a dog 'cause I'd probably have burned my tail down from wagging it when I saw my letter printed in your wonderful December issue.... I was the one who bought the six million extra copies you sold last month...

JUSTO PEREZ MIAMI, FLA.

Here we go again! ! !

Please send me the free booklet "You'll Stay Healthy When You Have A Cold" as per your last issue.

TINY KALAMAZOO, MICH. Sorry, the writer died of pneumonia.

You guys probably won't have enough guts to print this but I would like to tell you what I think of your lousy magazine. . .

ONE MAD READER SASKATOON, CANADA Guts is about the only thing we have.

... you got back issues? What numbers? What price?

KENNETH PITT PEARL RIVER, N. Y.

What for?

February issue makes a mockery of Christopher Columbus and his followers. As a member of the Knights of Columbus, I felt my voice should be heard in protest to this cartoon.

JOHN J. FENTER MINEOLA, N. Y.

You're right and we're sorry and we sent the artist back to Russia.

I know writing this ridiculous letter is dumb, but I want to show the writer of Cracked that the magazines aren't all burned by the Legion of Decency, and that those who do read Cracked (or look at the pictures) aren't all idiots. I perhaps, am the only reader with a high sense (or any sense) of literacy, and, at that rate, you'll soon have another illiterate to add to your long lists.

K, ORR RAHWAY, N. J.

Welkum tuh da klub.

Enclosed is a picture of me taken 2 years ago when I was 16. I would appreciate a character analysis if you have time to spare.

LEE PERRINS E. LAS VEGAS, NEV.

We have time to spare, but where we gonna get a character to make the analysis?

Yours is the first original copy of M—'
LARRY McKIMMY
CLINTON, ILL.

Yours is the least original letter we got.

Do you think I could be President of a Sylvester P. Smythe fan club?

SHEILA WILDER 1105 PEARL STREET BOULDER, COLORADO

Why not? All you need are other members. Western fans of Sylvester may contact Sheila at her address.

After carefully reading the August issue of your magazine, we have come to the conclusion that Cracked is just a cheap imitation of M—. As a matter of fact, Cracked seems to be the result of a deliberate attempt to copy M—. Why can't you be original?

CECELIA HARTLEY KAYE DORSEY LAUREL, MARYLAND

Why can't you be original and stop saying what everybody else is saying!

You've got quite a Cracked magazine, but you've got to have a Cracked skull to edit a Cracked book.

MICHAEL PIZUR CUDAHY, WISC.

It isn't all it's cracked up to be.

This is the first time I've ever bought a Cracked magazine and I really do think it is real cool. That about sums it up.

ELSIE MOORE ORLANDO, FLA

Maybe you can add a little more?

I have been a faithful reader of M for a number of years. Recently a friend of mine let me read a copy of Cracked, and I noticed a number of articles that were in M—. Better get your own ideas.

J. WEIFENKORN PAWLING, N. Y.

So how come you don't get your own copy of Cracked?

In your article "Ads We Never Get To See" the spelling of the word DUZNT was absurd. The proper spelling is DUZN'T.

BOB MUSZANSKI HARVEY, ILL.

O.K. so here-(')

of your magazine is worthless and its humor nauseous. I believe you don't have enough intestinal fortitude to publish such constructive criticism. I will purchase the copy this letter appears in just to see if you alter it in any way.

MIKE RICHARDSON RONALD MONSER WEST LIBERTY, W. VA.

We'll do anything for a quarter.

I put the book jackets from the back of your March issue on my books—only you forgot a strait-jacket for Jack Davis. MARIO DI BIASI

THOMASVILLE, ALA.

Why don't you lend him yours?

I took one of your "Million Dollar Bills" to my neighborhood bank to get it into small bills. . . I am beginning my 30-year sentence tomorrow.

JAMES L. COSTON WINFIELD, TEXAS

You should gotten life.

... is it possible to send a Cracked T Shirt to Australia?

A. PANHUYSEN
HYDEN, AUSTRALIA
Maybe later on. What size is Australia?

I bought Cracked and found it fun to work the captions. You should leave the whole magazine blank and let us fill in the captions. Your magazine may be funnier then.

> LARRY STRAUSS HAMILTON, OHIO

You should leave the paper blank and let us write your letter.

After many months of enjoying Cracked I have come to the conclusion that it's filled with a lot of laughs.

PETER M. RUBIN WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.

With everybody else it takes much longer. ... who reads your stupid magazine anyway?

MAD FAN GEORGETOWN, T

GEORGETOWN, TEX.
We don't know. Tell us your name?

After receiving the last issue of Cracked I began cutting up your magazine. After cutting out the Reward Poster I then cut out the Calendar. When I was all finished I finally saw thru your little scheme. I had to go out and buy another copy!

MARC N. WEISS LAURELTON, N. Y.

So you finally caught on?

I like to read Cracked because it reminds me of my brother. Will you do me a favor and print something about my brother. . .

RONALD SOLAR PHILA., PA.

O.K., but what's his name—Do-Re-Mi-

... enjoyed the joke about the prepschool cadet. I would like to know which one of the people on your staff went to a prep-school because no civilian could think up a joke like that.

STEVE WEST LEBANON, TEX.

Rover, our dog. He was a West Pointer.

... after doing the "Draw Your Own Conclusions" cartoons in the April issue I have come to the conclusion that your magazine is the best imitation of Mad on the market!

PETE MCDUFF FAIRFIELD, ALA.

So are your cartoons!

I would like to know more about Selma Glick from your article on "Job Resumes." Please send me all the information you have. . .

ROBERT JASSON BEAUMONT, TEXAS

34-42-36.

... in closing I would like to say that even I, with the help of my friends, could put out a magazine better than Cracked.

STAN MARTIN GLENDALE, CALIF.

It figures, since Cracked is put out with the help of enemies. month instead of every two months?

DOMENIC SANTILLI HARTFORD, CONN.

They only let Paul Laikin out every & weeks.

... the only thing wrong with Cracked is that it's not published in Australia.

JOHN DUCK

MELBOURNE, AUS.

That's what they're saying over here.

. . . I'm a sincere reader of both Cracked and Mad and I truly think that Cracked is a better and more logical magazine. . .

LARRY BAKUR BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Why should you be different than everybody else?

Cracked—you sure are!
DAVE DAVIDSON
"HOT" MAGAZINE
GLENDALE, CALIF.

Hot-you sure aren't!

... all the kids down here on this sunny island think the same way about your magazine as millions of kids all over the U.S. do...

JOHN REGIS SAN JUAN, P. R.

And we thought you liked us down there!

I think Cracked is the craziest magazine ever . . . if you have a back issue department please let me know.

ELMO PEELER KOSCIUSKO, MISS.

We will later on. We're still trying to sell current issues.

your magazine and it's a "gas" . . .

LAWRENCE GALLAGHER
RIVERSIDE, CALIF.

You mean it smells that bad?

So Cracked finally sneaked past the censors into New Zealand. Thanks to the joker who sneaked it in because you now have another clod reading it.

HAMISH MURDOCK WAIKATO, NEW. ZEAL

That's a pretty sneaky letter.

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ON-THE-SPOT TEST COMMERCIALS

THE BEER TEST



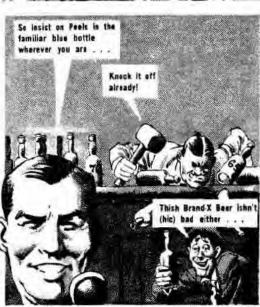


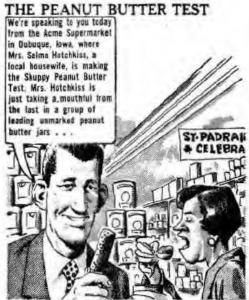


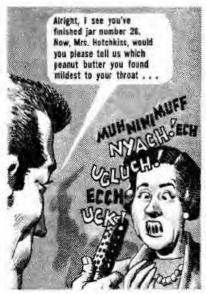


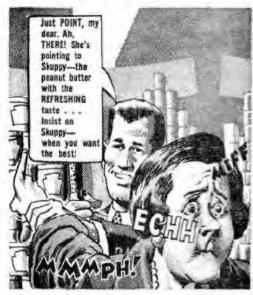


Thank you, Mr. Arnold









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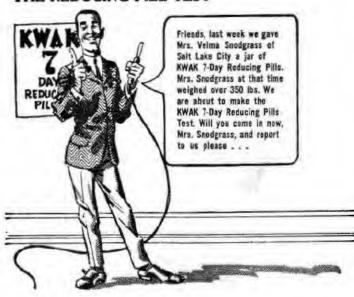








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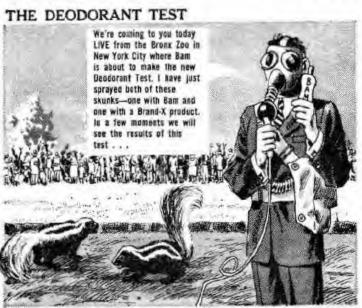


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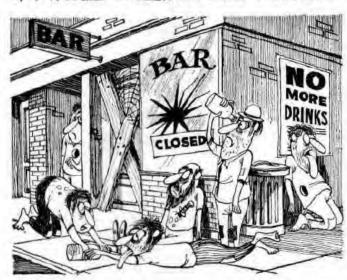


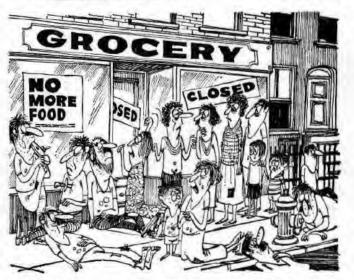


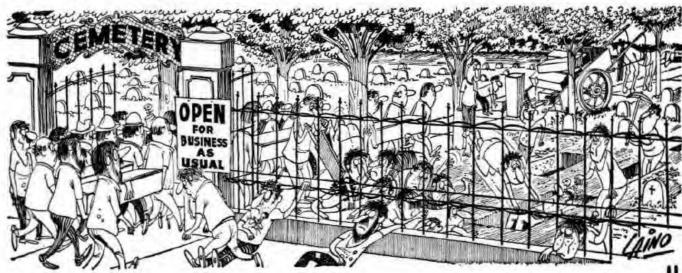
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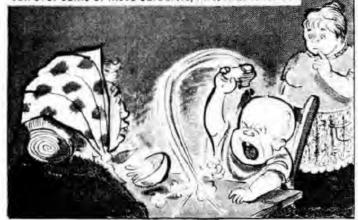




Cracked takes you back to...

WHEN IT ALL STARTED

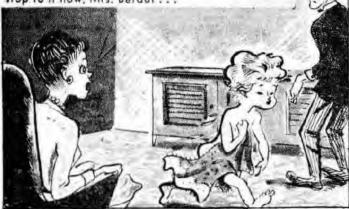
Look at that boy! He'll never amount to anything if you let him go around banging his shoes on the table and yelling at the top of his voice! I tell you no good can ever come of these outbursts, Mrs. Krushchev...



If the kid keeps wearing hats all the time, his hair will fall out someday, mark my words, Mrs. Brynner . . .



I know you can't afford to buy the child decent clothes, but making her walk around in a towel all day will only affect her personality later on. She'll always feel neglected and unloved. I would put a stop to it now. Mrs. Bardot . . .



You're making a sissy out of the boy I tell you. Don't pay so much attention when he cries. Let him alone. Believe me, if you spoil the child now, when he grows up if he ever wants to attract attention he'll just sit there and cry. Listen to me, Mrs. Paar...



If the boy wants to paint the walls, let him. Give him freedom to express himself at all times. Only in this way will he be able to develop into a fine, upstanding citizen and contribute something worthwhile to society. Believe me, I know what I'm talking about, Mrs. Shikelgruber . . .



I'm telling you that boy will come to no good some day. Look at him behaving like an idiot, cutting out paper dolls and making strange noises. Take my advice and get him to a doctor before he grows up and becomes a menace to society, Mrs. Laikin . . .



Psychologists tells us that three out of every four Americans are neurotic. With such a large percentage we figure there would be a great market for a new magazine in which these maladjusted people tell their stories. In this day of highly specialized magazines, why not one called . . .

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NEUROTIC

Jan/Feb 25¢/35¢

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I HAD A HEALTHY BREAKDOWN! HE FORCED ME TO LIVE IN REALITY

The most unforgettable conflict I ever had

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How To Make Your Psychosis Work For You

THE NIGHT I HAD TO MAKE A DECISION

MY WIFE WAS DRIVING ME HEALTHY

HOW FREE IS FREE ASSOCIATION?

I AM NAPOLEON I TELL YOU!

and many others

IS OSCAR LEVANT TURNING HEALTHY?

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EXTRA SPECIAL!

HELP STAMP OUT MENTAL HEALTH!

THEY SAID I ONLY IMAGINED

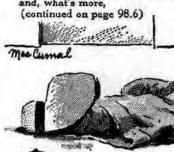
I WAS DEAD

I went from doctor to doctor but nobody believed me. "I tell you I'm dying from an unknown disease," I cried. "There, there," would come the reply, "it's all in your mind." "Yes, but, it's spreading to the rest of my body." I shouted, Still nobody believed me.

Still nobody believed me. They would give me a couple of aspirins and send me home. But the symptoms persisted. I had this choking sensation, my face was all flushed, and I had difficulty breathing. I was sure I was at death's door.

One day, when I had given up all hope of recovery, I decided to have one last fling on the town and live it up. The first thing I did was to buy some new clothes. The clerk at the haberdashery was quite pleasant. "What size shirt do you take?" he asked. "Size 14," I replied. "Just to be sure, let me measure you," he smiled.

With that, he put the tape ruler around my neck, "Aha! Just as I suspected," he grinned, "you take a size 16." "But I've been wearing a size 14 shirt for years now," I pleaded, "Well, it's alright with me," he continued, "but my cousin used to wear a shirt two sizes smaller at the collar. And danged if he didn't have trouble breathing. Why, his face used to get all flushed, and he had this choking sensation, and, what's more, (continued on page 98.6)



by HOWARD YUFEEL

(AMERICA'S MOST BELOVED HYPOCHONDRIAC)

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There I was on the floor and still nobody would believe my stary . .

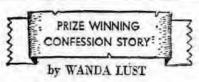
I FOUND OUT TOO LATE

THEY WARNED ME

HE WAS HEALTHY



It was the last straw when I found him putting the toothpaste cap back on the tube!



(AS TOLD TO HER PSYCHIATRIST)

On the surface Tom seemed nice and neurotic. He had all the colorful fears and anxieties that I found so attractive in a man. We fit together beautifully. Ours was ideal neurotic relationship. We were both emotionally dependant on the other.

Then one day he began acting strangely. He started developing all kinds of healthy symptoms. He would become enthusiastic and appeared happy without any reason. I tried to suppress these amotions but his healthy drives were too powerful for me to overcome. Soon he was completely able to stand on his own two feet. I found out what he really wanted was a "wife" not a "mother." This was more than I could bear. I could not stand the thought of a husband.

But I found out too late. He had already started corrupting me with his healthiness. He was forcing me to live in reality! Furthermore (continued) My Fight Against Emotional Maturity

MY ANALYST WAS DRIVING ME SANE!

A SHOCKING REPORT BY HUGH BETCHER



I fought him tooth and nail-but he was a tiger!!!

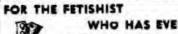
I entered psychoanalysis to talk to somebody. I didn't want to be cured of my neurosis. On the contrary, I was proud of it. My colorful and eccentric behavior made me stand out in a crowd. Made me interesting. What I wanted was to show my unique personality to someone who would appreciate it. That's why I went to Doctor Sfortz.

The first few months were ideal. I flaunted my idiosyncrasies in front of him and he received them most appreciatively. Then one day I noticed that strange things were happening. I was beginning to "feel" things. I was becoming spontaneous. I was able to show enthusiasm. In short, I was becoming a healthy square! I knew I had to make one last fight against emotional and maturity if I wanted to stay neurotic and remain adjusted to the sick circles in which I traveled.

Yes, I fought hard to retain my neurotic standing. It was the biggest fight of my life. I fought with every trick in the book to conquer my analyst. I fought him tooth and neil—but he was like a tiger! My resistance started to crumble and soon he was beginning to slowly tear me down. Slowly he was beginning to rob me of the color and sophistication of my conflicts. Slowly he was beginning to bring out my healthy instincts. Mainly, slowly he was beginning to sap out my bank account—WHICH WAS DRIVING ME SANE!!

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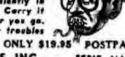
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WHAT'S MY LINE	A quest for identity
I'VE GOT A SECRET	Guilt complex
VOICE OF FIRESTONE	Paranoic hallycination
I REMEMBER MAMA	
LEAVE IT TO BEAVER	
I LED THREE LIVES	
BEAT THE CLOCK	Sadistic impulses
IT COULD BE YOU	
FOLLOW THAT MAN	Inability to stand on own two feet
TO TELL THE TRUTH	
WHO DO YOU TRUST?	Suspicious inclination
YOU ARE THERE	Wish fulfillment
I SEARCH FOR ADVENTURE	Refusal to grow up
PEOPLE ARE FUNNY	
THE LONE RANGER	Introvertism
FACE THE NATION	Extrovertism
FATHER KNOWS BEST	Rationalization
DEATH VALLEY DAYS	
IT'S A GREAT LIFE	Refusal to face reality

The NEUROTIC THING

BEHAVIOR IN EVERYDAY SITUATIONS. SS WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE BEST



WHEN CALLING FOR A GIRL, it's the neurotic thing to walk around the block three times before going in to her house.

This month's award goes to Clarence Klutz, Jersey City, who unfortunately passed away recently while courting a girl who lived on top of a mountain.



WISH, WASH, I"My analyst doesn't understand me."

THIS MONTH'S **HEALTHY JOKE**

"Can Timmy come out and play?"

"Not today, Mary, he has leprosy."

"Oh, no. That's horrible!!"

NEUROTIC SQUELCH

The big 2-ton elephant looted down at the tiny 2-ounce mouse and said, "How come I'm so big and strong while you're so small and weak, huh?" The little mouse looked up at him for a few minutes, then lowered his head and said dejectedly, "I've been sick."

ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLE: Still undecided-try again next month.

The INQUIRING PSYCHOTIC

QUESTION: Why did you enter psychoanalysis? (asked of various people in analysts' waiting rooms)

SIDNEY BLECH

New York City



I entered analysis hecause I wanted to know why I always behaved like an idiot. After 12 years of analveis I finally found the answer, I AM an idiot!

HAROLD SMEDLEY

Bronx, N. Y.



I entered analysis because I hated myself for no good reason. My analyst straightened me out. Now I hate myself and I have good reason!

RHODA IPSWICH

Brooklyn, N. Y.



I couldn't bear the thought of marriage. My analyst has cured me of this. Today I still can't face marriage, but at least I can bear the thought.

SEYMOUR HOTCHKISS

Jersey City



I entered analysis because I was very stingy about money. Being a tightwad was raining my life. I'm straightened out now. My analyst took all my money.

ZELDA KLUCK

Hasbrouk Heights



How come I entered analysis? I have this one peculiar habit. Everytime I see an ashtray I must empty it. Sounds normal, doesn't it? But in my mouth?

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What It's Like To Live In Reality NEW WAYS TO HATE FATHER

Those Migraine Headaches Were All In My Mind!

Night I Stood On My Own Two Feet

... and many other provocative articles



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PSYCHOVERT SCHIZOPHRENIC MASOCHIST HYPOCHONDRIAC PARANOIC

For actually imagining and convincing people he was For talking to and distinctly hearing back an answer from Chice.

For fooling everyone into thinking he was healthy person for one year.

OF THE YEAR for having 14 For not having distinct per- been seen with sonalities — all sadist for one of which were whole year. psychotic.











LEON FLINCH

For believing

he was actual-ly healthy for

the entire year.

Butte, Mont,

MYRNA BLANK Los Angeles, Cal.

For being able

to relate to a

healthy person for one year.

Bangor, Me.

EMILE SNIDE STANLEY KLATCH MAX MISHUGA Hoboken, N. J.

Brocklyn, N. Y

RATIONALIZER COMPULSIVE INTROVERT

OF THE YEAR OF THE YEAR OF THE YEAR OF THE YEAR

For never once being seen in public during the entire year.

For thinking up the new series of "healthy

lokes.

PSYCHOTIC

For thinking up the whole idea of this article.

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 Life Is Just A Bowl Of Conflicts
 Doin' What Comes Unnaturally

4. I'm Gonna Die Till I Live

5. Ain't We Got Freud?

6. My Meloncholia Baby

7. Thou Sick

8. The Maniac I Love

9. A Sinner Kissed An Analyst

10. Zing Went The Strings Of My Head!



DEAR PSYCHO

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I get a terrible migraine headache every morning. What is my trouble?

IMPULSIVE

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DEAR PSYCHO:

Most of the time I'm just plain neurotic, but occasionally I imagine myself to be Abraham Lincoln. What should I do?

COMPULSIVE

Stay away from theatres.

DEAR PSYCHO:

I've heard it said that if you want to rid yourself of an imaginary fear, you should do just the thing that you are afraid of. In this way your fear will stop. Now I am afraid of dying. How can I apply this?

WEIRDO

Keep sending in letters like that one,

DEAR PSYCHO:

Help me. I'm in love with a 12-year-old?

MANIAG

A 12-year-old what????

DEAR PSYCHO:

I have tremendous fears and anxieties that I just can't overcome. How can I straighten myself out?

NERVOUS

Walk under a steam roller.

DEAR PSYCHO:

My problem lies in my inability to relate well to women. Everytime I see a girl I get cold chills down my spine. What can I do about it?

INTROVERTED

Wear a woolen overcoat.

I'm writing to say I have a 14-year-old boy who is a nervous wreck. What is the best way to calm him down?

OBSESSIVE

Get him a 14-year-old girl.

It's not me doctor. I'm healthy. It's other people. Everybody talks about me behind my back. What should I do?

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NEUROTIC MALE with inability to stand on own two feet, seeks broadshouldered woman to use as crutch. Consider all replies, 0796.

COMPULSIVE NEUROTIC with obsession for fat girls, seeks 400pounder to live on huge ranch, Z999,

MAN WITH FETISH, late 30's desires to meet girl with long black pony-tail. Have money, charm, looks and scissors. Send photo in first letter. T371,

PARANOIC MAN seeks woman to share hallucinations. Vivid imagination a must. Write persecuting first letter and send record of voice. C117.

DISTURBED MAN with tremendous guilt complex seeks forgiving woman with proven ego-gratifying experience in previous marriage. D486,

MALE, 27, neurotic dependent, seeks woman to lean on, Must look like mother. Send photo. B729.

HYPOCHONDRIAC widower, 49, seeks sympathy-minded woman Must be able to show extreme pity. All replies held confidential. F318.

SCHIZOPHRENIC man, 29, seeks 2 girls; 1 introverted, 1 extroverted, Consider one girl if she's manic-depressive, P723, P724.

NEUROTIC GIRL, late 20's, seeks father image. Man must smoke cigars, drink beer, like baseball, and marry mother, A112.

PSYCHOPATHIC MALE, young, hostile, beligerant, disagreeable, sick, with homicidal tendencies, desires to meet charming female companion with similar tastes. References exchanged. V802.

HYPERSENSITIVE MAN, 47, seeks traumatic experience with young girl, L601.

MANIC-DEPRESSIVE MAN. 38, seeks depressive manic woman, 21-25. W107

MADMAN who hates father seeks woman who hates mother. Object: Traumatic Experience, G802

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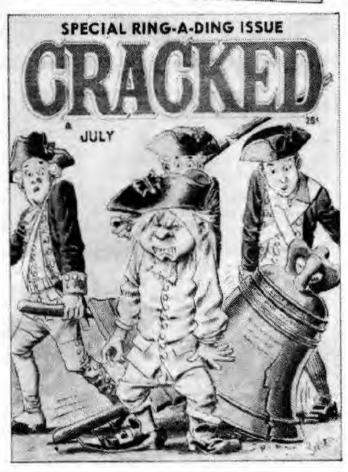
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WHAT THEY DO IS THROW AROUND IDEAS. AND AFTER THE CONFERENCE WHAT THEY DO IS THROW AROUND THE ARTISTS. THIS HAPPENS WHEN RIDICULOUS COVER IDEAS ARE SUBMITTED. THESE

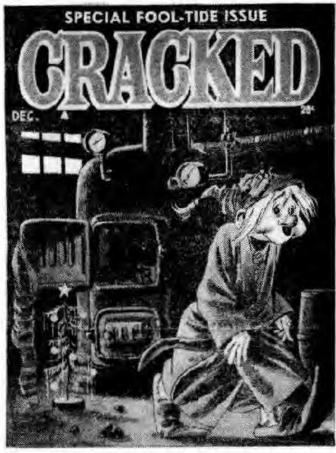
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ARE THE COVERS YOU NEVER GET TO SEE. AND SO LIKE YOU SHOULDN'T FEEL YOU ARE MISSING ANYTHING, ARTIST JOHN SEVERIN HAS RECORDED FOR POSTERITY A FEW OF THESE...

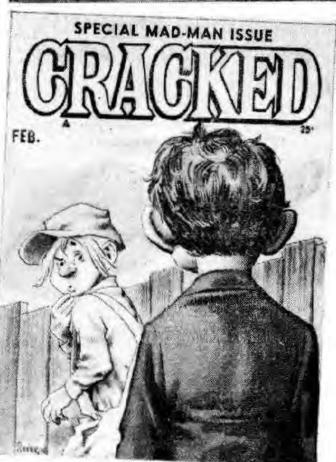












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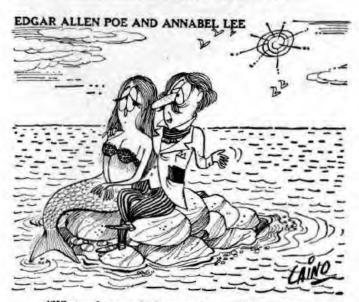
"Why in blazes did you bring me here?"



"I lithp-thath why I can't threak for mythelf!"



"Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo??"



"What makes you think my mother won't like you?"



"If anyone calls, I'm at the hairdresser's. . ."



"... and keep your nose out of my business?"



"Knock it off already, I'm getting nauseous!"



"Whattaya mean you want a night out with the apea?"



"Aside from that, why won't you marry me?"

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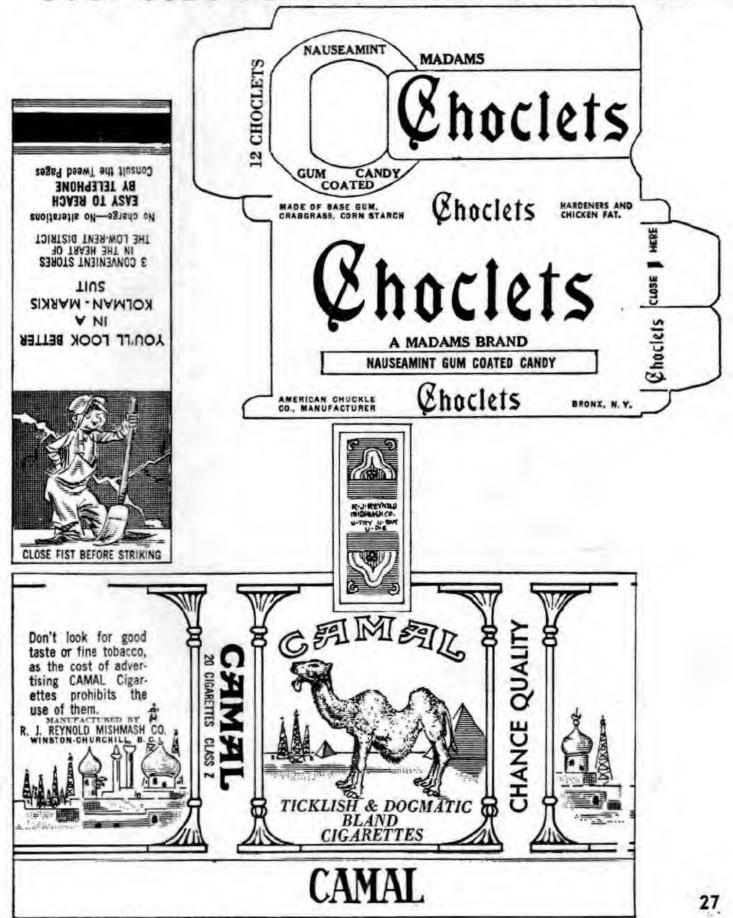
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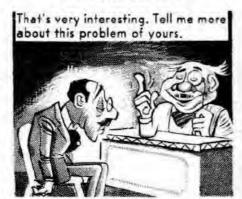


STORIES OF THE MONTH

My problem, Doctor is that I have a very bad memory. I can't remember a thing. I say something one minute, and forget what it was the next. .



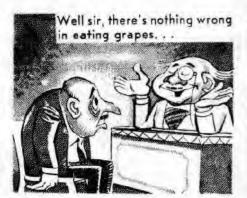
THE PSYCHIATRIST





I came to see you about this strange compulsion of mine. Its seems I have a craving for grapes. I find myself eating







Doctor, I know this sounds, very silly, but I live in a doghouse. I just can't seem to stay in a regular home. . .

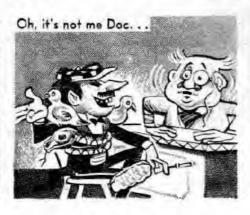






That's right. Come in sir. I see you REALLY have a problem.







EXTRA SPECIAL BONUS

In the June issue of last year (Cracked No. 14) we featured a full-page drawing of Sylvester, our janitor, done the hard way—as part of a jigsaw puzzle. Since then we've received many letters asking us to do another of these pages. We've also received a lot of mail from people who want to know what editor Paul Laikin really looks like. And so CRACKED has combined the two requests and now comes up with a crazy mixed-up...

JIGSAW PUZZLE of the cracked editor



It's an old story. There are some men that just don't fit in. Put them in any situation and they'll fail. To show you what they mean

MEN

THAT



There's a race of men that don't fit in.

A race that couldn't stay still;

So they break the heart's of kith and kin,

And they roam the world at will.



They range the field and they rove the flood, And they climb the mountain's crest; Theirs is the curse of the gypsy blood. And they don't know how to rest.



And each forgets, as he strips and runs With a brilliant, fitful pace, It's the steady, quiet plodding ones Who win in the lifelong race.



And each forgets that his youth has fled, Forgets that his prime is past, Till he stands one day, with a hope that's dead, In the glare of the truths at last.

here is CRACKED'S version of another thrilling poem by Robert Service, that illustrates this point very well—an epic entitled . . .

DONT FIT IN



If they just went straight they might go far, They are strong and brave and true; But they're always tired of the things that are, And they want the strange and new.



He has failed, he has failed; missed his chance; He has just done things by half. Life's been a jolly good joke on him. And now is the time to laugh.

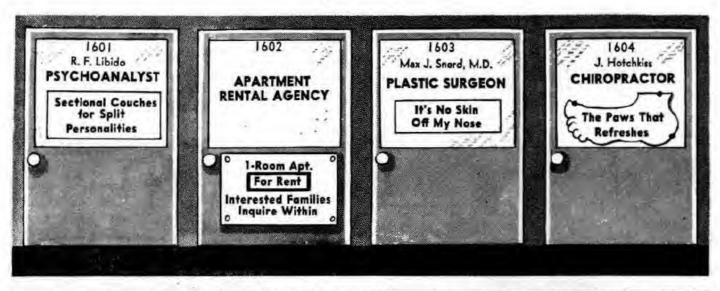


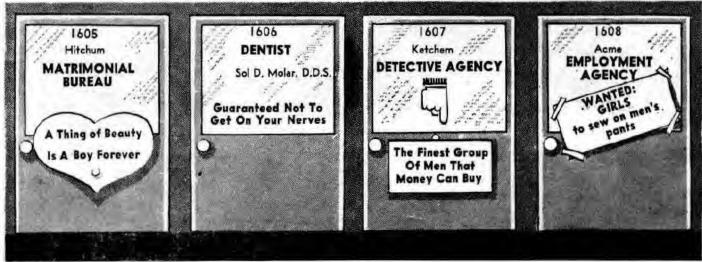
They say: "Could I find my proper grave, What a deep mark I could make!" So they chop and change, and each fresh move Is only a fresh mistake.

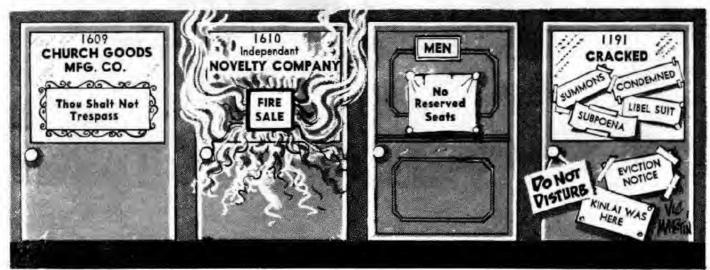


Ha, ha! He is one of the Legion Lost; He was never meant to win; He's a rolling stone, and it's bread in the bone; He's a man who won't fit in.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES







THE CHARGE UP SAN JUAN HILL



THIS PICTURE SHOWS HOW YOU THINK IT WAS ... NOW TURN PAGE AND SEE .

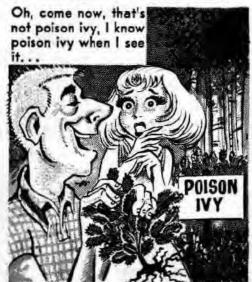
HOW IT REALLY WAS



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WHEN IT ALL ENDED

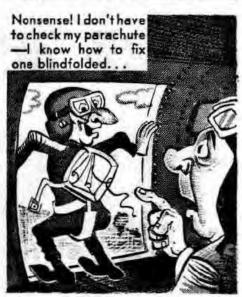


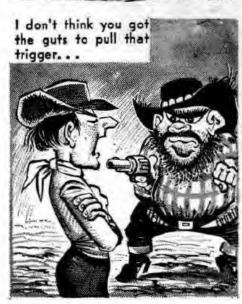


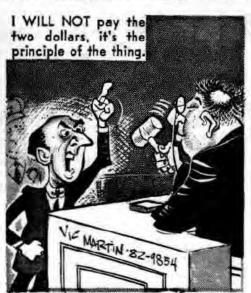


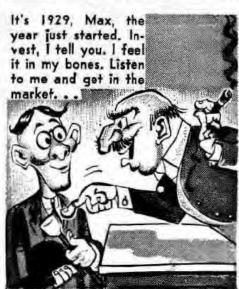














In keeping with our policy of introducing new and talented young artists to the public, CRACKED now opens up its pages to an exhibit of paintings by several of the country's most gifted, but unknown, painters. Any similarity between these paintings and any other living paintings, good or bad, is purely accidental—as we present . . .



a cracked gallery of mew artists



BALLET REHEARSAL IN STAGE DELICATESSEN by Edger Deguis



STILL BLECH by Oswald Laino



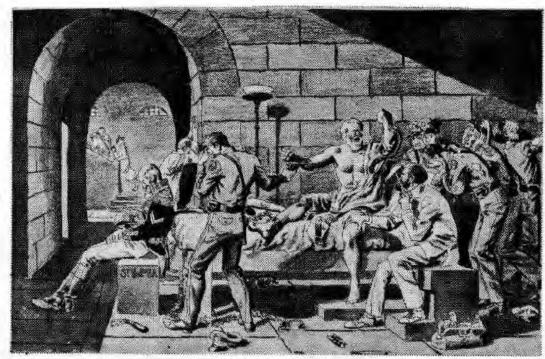
DANCE AT BIRDLAND by Auguste Renoise



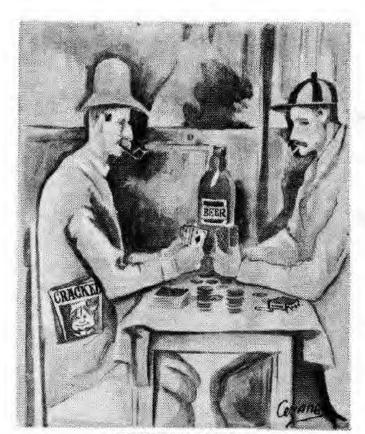
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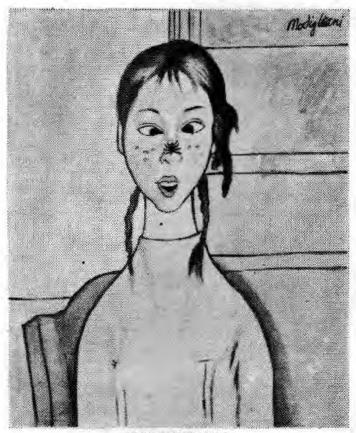
THE DILEMMA OF SOCRATES
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THE STACKING OF CARDS by Paul Cezene



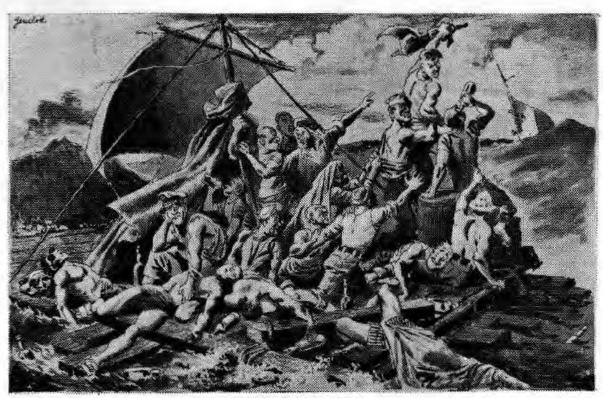
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GIRL WITH BRAINS by Amadeo Modiglooni



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During the past year hundreds of articles have appeared in Cracked. And these represent an awful lot of pages-literally speaking, of course. Nevertheless, these were the best. But some of the articles however, fell short-again literally speaking. They were incomplete because not all of the pages submitted got in. This was due largely to space limitations. This was due mainly to intelligence limitations—as somewhere along the line somebody goofed! The pages SHOULDA gone in! But either the art work was late, or the production department miscalculated, or they got lost in the shuffle because of some clod's error. And so, that you shouldn't feel cheated that you didn't get your full quarter's worth, CRACKED has dug up a few of these pages from our huge trash basket. Look back over previous issues and piece together the whole article so that now you can understand it fully—something you couldn't do before because of ...

PAGES THAT DIDN'T GET INTO CRACKED

> This arrow did not get into Issue No. 17

Comedians have always wanted to play great tragedy roles. And sometimes they do, as the case may be. Nevertheless, practically every top comedian has at one time or another expressed the desire to appear in a Shakespearean play. And this has gotten them more laughs than most of their routines. We got to wondering what it might be like if these funny people did those tragic parts. What happened is this funny attempt that turned into a tragic article called . . .

IF DIFFERENT COMEDIANS PLAYED SHAKESPEARE







King Lear, Act V. Scene 3

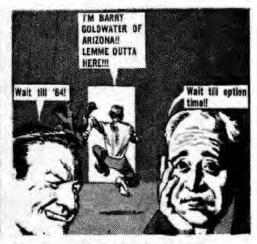
With international affairs so much in the limelight today, the new hero of American culture is the political figure. He has replaced the show business personality as our mass celebrity. We figure that since the reign of these government leaders is so short, they should cash in on their popularity before their fame dwindles. One of the most lucrative ways to do this is by guest television appearances. They would draw a big audience tired of seeing the same old Hollywood guest stars, and we would get more stimulating programs. And so, with a little imagination, Cracked can just visualize how it might look . . .

IF POLITICAL FIGURES DID TV GUEST SHOTS

IF ROCKEFELLER GUESTED ON CANDID CAMERA



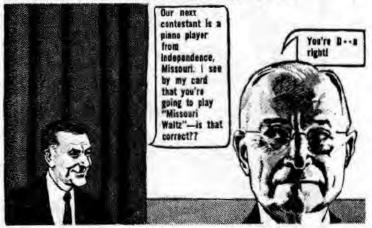




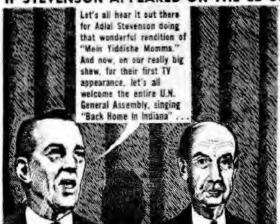
IF MRS. ROOSEVELT DID THE PERRY COMO SHOW



IF TRUMAN WAS ON THE AMATEUR HOUR



IF STEVENSON APPEARED ON THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW





Every once in a while a really great book comes out and is added to our culture. It makes the best-seller list, stays popular for a while, and then is almost completely forgotten—except by clods like us who are always looking for new ideas for articles. All seriousness aside, we figure that these books come along so rarely that publishers should get after the authors to write sequels. If the first book was such a success, chances are the sequel will also make money. And so, we have come with a few ideas for authors who can still come up with . . .

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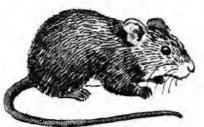
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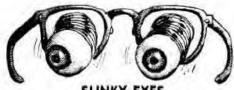
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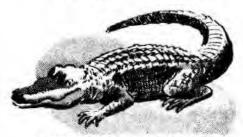
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DANNY WILLIAMSON DOWNEY, CAL.

Our money, to be sure.

I've been reading Cracked for some time now and I think it's great. I have one problem though. I've been seeing little pink Laikins lately. What should I do?

> ARNOLD H. GREEN BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Nothing. It's better than seeing little green Arnolds.

... having got an American friend to translate it for me, I found Cracked a very funny magazine. . .

PETER COCKER SOUTHAMPTON, ENG.

Maybe he can translate it to the people over here also.

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So will letters like yours.

I really enjoy reading your magazine. I think it's about time somebody dug up some real trash.

J. P. PAQUETTE MONTREAL, CANADA

We certainly did. We dug up your letter.

Why don't you have a pen-pal section in your magazine? . . . SYLVIA JOYCE

HOWEY-HILLS, FLA. We haven't many pals who got pens. I read your magazine when I should be reading my history and because of this my grades are very low. What should I do?

CHARLES WELCH HARRISVILLE, W. VA. Take a course in magazine reading.

I think your magazine is great. It's goofy, loony, crazy, nuts, absurd, preposterous and also cracked. . .

ANTHONY VANORE PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Nobody's as good as all that.

PUBLIC APOLOGY

In our April Issue (Cracked No. 19) we made reference to a product called INHIBITOL in an article called "Ads You Never Get To See." We recently got a letter from the Southeastern Bakers Supply Co. informing us that a product called INHIBITOL is already on the market. It happens to be a mold and rope inhibitor used by bakers to keep all baked goods fresh for long periods of time. We are sorry for any confusion that might have resulted from this coincidence and urge all you readers who like fresh baked goods to investigate this wonderful product. . .

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